

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully submits the above amendments and the following remarks for entry in the present application.

FORMAL DRAWINGS

Submitted in the present divisional application are twenty-seven (27) sheets of formal drawing for Figures 1, 2, 3A-3E, 4-25, 26A, 26B and 27-44.

TITLE

The title of the present divisional application has been amended to coincide with the title as approved and entered in the parent case.

SPECIFICATION

Submitted in the present divisional application is substantially a copy of the substitute specification filed in parent Application No. 09/743,495, including the corrections of typographical errors as submitted, approved and entered in the parent case. No new matter is added.

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

The amendment to the specification made here is to add the required section identifying all prior applications upon which benefit is claimed in the present divisional application under 35 USC §120.

PENDING CLAIMS

Claims 1-10 are submitted in the present divisional application, which claims correspond precisely to non-elected Claims 1-3 and 17-20 which were cancelled in parent Application No. 09/743,495.

ABSTRACT

The Abstract of the Disclosure submitted in the present divisional application is substantially identical to the Abstract approved and entered in parent Application No. 09/743,495.

PRIORITY

Applicant claims priority under 35 USC §119 of Japanese Patent Publication No. 10-195736 filed 10 January 2001. Applicant respectfully requests written acknowledgment of the completion of §119 priority claimed in the present application.

As required, the specification of the present divisional application has been amended to identify the prior application upon which benefit is claimed under 35 USC §120. Applicant respectfully requests written acknowledgment of the completion of §120 priority claimed in the present application.

ASSIGNMENT

HITACHI, LTD. is the Assignee of full right, title and interest in and to the present application by virtue of the Assignment filed and recorded 10 January 2001 at Reel 011544, Frames 0623 *et seq.* in prior Application No. 09/743,495.

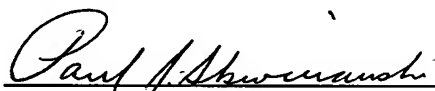
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Filed concurrently herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449 listing all of the art cited to or by the Office in the prior application, to be made of record and printed on any patent issuing in the present application.

CONCLUSION

This Amendment is being submitted concurrently with the present divisional application. No Petition or fee is required or possible for entry of this paper. Please charge any actual fees due in connection with the filing of this paper to ATS&K Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (as Case No. 503.39455VX1).

Respectfully submitted,



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